

Missouri June Acreage Report



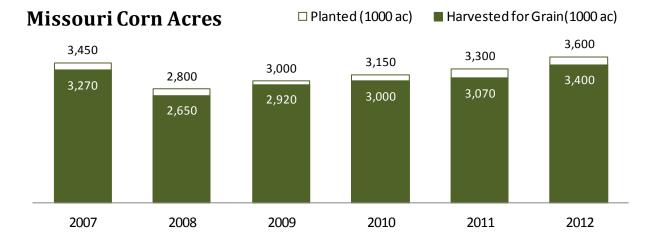
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Missouri Corn Planted Acres Estimated at 3.6 Million - Most Since 1960 -

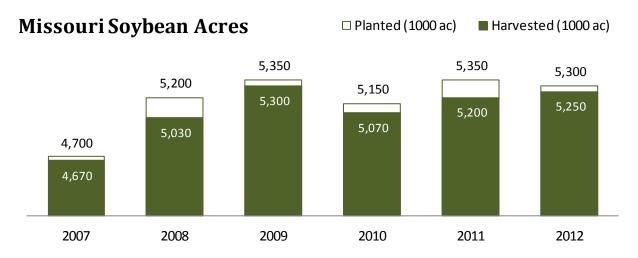
(COLUMBIA, MO) Planting progress was several weeks ahead of normal for all crops this year as Missouri farmers were generally able to plant what they wanted when they wanted. The result was an estimated record 8.9 million acres devoted to corn and soybeans. Rice and sorghum planted acres are also estimated to increase from multi-year lows last year. The estimated area in the state devoted to the five row crops of corn, soybean, rice, cotton and sorghum is the highest since 1985 and the second highest on record.

Corn: Missouri corn plantings are estimated at 3.6 million acres, 9 percent above last year and the most corn planted in Missouri since 1960. Corn acres for harvest as grain are forecast at 3.40 million, up 11 percent from 2011 and also the highest since 1960. As of June 24, just 34 percent of the crop was in good to excellent condition, the lowest since 1995. Thirty five percent had reached the silking stage or beyond, 12 days ahead of the 5-year average (normal) of 9 percent.

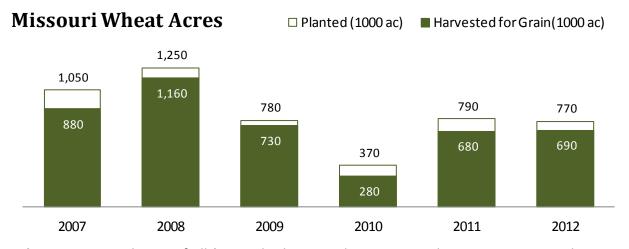


Soybeans: Soybeans planted and to be planted in Missouri are forecast at 5.30 million acres, less than 1 percent below 2011 and 200,000 acres above farmers' intentions in March. Soybeans were 93 percent emerged as of June 24, 17 days ahead of the normal of 74 percent. Just 26 percent of the crop was in good to excellent condition as of June 24, the lowest since 1990.

Harvested acres are expected to total 5.25 million acres, above last year when 5.2 million acres were harvested.

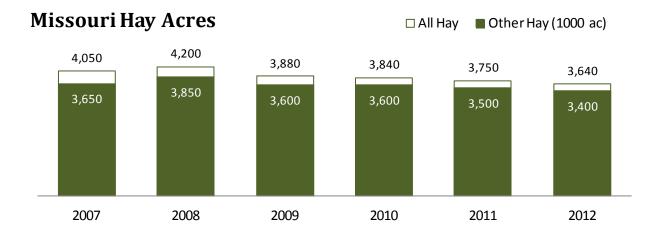


Wheat: Missouri winter wheat producers are expected to harvest 690,000 of the 770,000 acres planted last fall. Wheat harvest was 97 percent complete by June 24, the earliest harvest on record back to 1981 and 23 days ahead of the five year average. Seeded acres of **oats** in Missouri are estimated at 20,000 acres, up 5,000 acres from last year, while acres to be harvested for grain are indicated at 9,000 acres, up 1,000 from a year earlier.



Other Crops: Total area of all **hay** to be harvested in Missouri this year is estimated at 3.64 million acres, consisting of 3.40 million acres of other hay and 240,000 acres of alfalfa. This is the fourth consecutive year total hay acreage has declined, dropping 110,000 acres from last year and 560,000 since 2008.

Upland **cotton** planted in Missouri is estimated at 375,000 acres, unchanged from last year's level. Fifty percent of the cotton acreage was squaring as of June 24, 6 days ahead of normal of 35 percent. As of June 24, just 21 percent of the crop was in good to excellent condition, the lowest since 1990.



Planted area of Missouri **rice** is estimated at 201,000 acres, 41 percent above last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 199,000 acres, 55 percent above last year's flood reduced total. Seventy-four percent of the rice crop was in good to excellent condition as of June 24.

Planted acres of **sorghum** in Missouri are estimated at 70,000, an increase of 30,000 from last year's record low. Sorghum to be harvested for grain is forecast at 60,000 acres, 27,000 acres above last year. Thirty-two percent of the sorghum crop was in good to excellent condition as of June 24.

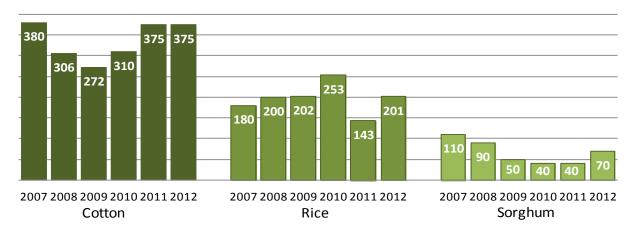
Potatoes planted in Missouri are estimated at 8,600 acres, up 300 acres from last year, while harvested acres are forecast at 8,400 acres, 1,300 acres more than a year ago.

U.S. Highlights:

Corn planted area for all purposes in 2012 is estimated at 96.4 million acres, up 5 percent from last year and represents the highest planted acreage in the United States since 1937 when an estimated 97.2 million acres were planted. Growers expect to harvest 88.9 million acres for grain, up 6 percent from last year.

Other Missouri Crops

Planted Acres (1000)



Soybean planted area for 2012 is estimated at 76.1 million acres, up 1 percent from last year and is the third highest on record. Area for harvest, at 75.3 million acres, is up 2 percent from 2011.

All wheat planted area is estimated at 56.0 million acres, up 3 percent from 2011. The 2012 winter wheat planted area, at 41.8 million acres, is up 3 percent from last year and up slightly from the previous estimate. Of this total, about 30.0 million acres are Hard Red Winter, 8.3 million acres are Soft Red Winter, and 3.5 million acres are White Winter.

All cotton planted area for 2012 is estimated at 12.6 million acres, 14 percent below last year. Upland area is estimated at 12.4 million acres, down 14 percent from 2011. American Pima area is estimated at 235,000 acres, down 24 percent from 2011.

Summary of 2012 Missouri Planted Acres				
Crop	Acres Planted			Percent of
	2010	2011	2012*	Previous Year
Soybeans	5,150,000	5,350,000	5,300,000	99
Corn	3,150,000	3,300,000	3,600,000	109
Cotton	310,000	375,000	375,000	100
Rice	253,000	143,000	201,000	141
Sorghum For Grain	40,000	40,000	70,000	175
Row Crop Total	8,903,000	9,208,000	9,546,000	104
Wheat Winter	370,000	790,000	770,000	97
Oats	20,000	15,000	20,000	133
Small Grain Total	390,000	805,000	790,000	98
Crop Total	9,293,000	10,013,000	10,336,000	103
Hay All (Dry)	3,840,000	3,750,000	3,640,000	97

^{*}Planted and to be planted as of June 1

The June acreage estimates in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted the first 2 weeks of June. These surveys are based on a probability area frame survey with a sample of 383 segments or parcels of land (average approximately 1 square mile) in Missouri and a list probability sample of over 3,000 farm operators. Enumerators conducting the area survey contact all farmers having operations within the sampled segments of land and account for their operations. From these data, estimates can be calculated. The list survey sample is contacted by mail, internet, telephone, or personal interviews to obtain information on these operations. Responses from the list sample plus data from the area operations that were not on the list to be sampled are combined to provide another estimate of planted and harvested acreages.